

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 and 14-25 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 3, 6, 16 and 24 have been amended. Applicants gratefully acknowledge the allowance of claims 1-11, 14-25. Further, Applicant's representative wishes to thank Examiner Roy for the courteous and helpful telephone interview conducted on September 1, 2005.

Claims 1 and 16 have been amended to correct a typographical error. Claims 1, 3, 6 and 24 have also been amended to remove "in this order." The Examiner agreed to remove this phrase on September 1, 2005. Applicants respectfully request the entry of this amendment prior to issuance of this application.

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